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Ohio Acreage Summary

Ohio field crop planting was initially behind schedule due to cool temperatures and higher than normal amounts of precipitation, according to Cheryl Turner, State Statistician of the USDA, NASS, Ohio Field Office. These cool temperatures and heavier precipitation continued through the end of May. In early to mid-June, however, conditions transitioned into drier and slightly warmer weather, allowing farmers to catch up in their planting of field crops to the five-year average. While planted area for corn in Ohio did not change from the previous year, producers did plant more winter wheat than in 2015. Farmers planted a record high level of soybean acres surpassing the previous record high in 2015. Highlights of the 2016 June Acreage report follow:

Ohio soybean growers planted a record 4.80 million acres. Harvested acres of soybeans are anticipated to be 4.79 million acres, which, if realized, would also be a record high. Nationally, soybean planted area for 2016 is estimated at a record high 83.7 million acres, up 1 percent from last year. In addition to Ohio, Record high planted acreage is estimated in Michigan, Minnesota, New York, North Dakota, Pennsylvania, and Wisconsin. Area for harvest, at 83.0 million acres, is also up 1 percent from 2015 and will be a record high if realized.

Ohio corn growers planted 3.6 million acres, unchanged from 2015. U.S. corn planted area for all purposes in 2016 is estimated at 94.1 million acres, up 7 percent from last year. This represents the third highest planted acreage in the United States since 1944. Area harvested for grain, at 86.6 million acres, is up 7 percent from last year and represents the third highest area harvested for grain since 1933.

Ohio winter wheat growers planted 590,000 acres of wheat, 70,000 acres more than last year. In the U.S., winter wheat planted area is estimated at 36.5 million acres, down 7 percent from last year and up less than 1 percent from the previous estimate. Acres harvested for grain is forecast at 30.2 million acres, up 1 percent from the previous forecast and down 6 percent from last year.

Acres Planted by Crop, Ohio and United States: 2014 - 2016

Commodity	Ohio			United States		
	2014	2015	2016	2014	2015	2016
Corn, all						
Planted 1,000 acres	3,700	3,550	3,550	90,597	87,999	94,148
Corn, grain						
Harvested 1,000 acres	3,470	3,260	3,290	83,136	80,749	86,550
Hay, alfalfa						
Harvested 1,000 acres	310	330	390	18,395	17,778	18,065
Hay, other						
Harvested 1,000 acres	650	750	740	38,667	36,659	38,062
Oats						
Planted 1,000 acres	50	70	75	2,753	3,088	3,027
Harvested 1,000 acres	35	40	55	1,035	1,276	1,165
Soybeans						
Planted 1,000 acres	4,700	4,750	4,800	83,276	82,650	83,688
Harvested 1,000 acres	4,690	4,740	4,790	82,591	81,814	83,037
Wheat, winter						
Planted 1,000 acres	620	520	590	42,409	39,461	36,538
Harvested 1,000 acres	545	480	550	32,299	32,257	30,176

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